Dereservation of items from SSI

*280. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently dereserved some items from the Small Scale Industry list;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the dereservation of some items is affecting adversely on the growth of small scale sector;

(d) if so, whether any scheme has been worked out to ensure that the dereservation of small scale items may not affect the industry; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) and (b) Readymade garments were dereserved on 1.1.2001 as per the decision announced in the National Textile Policy 2000. As announced in the Union budget 2001-2002, Government have issued a Notification S.O. 603(E) dated 29th June, 2001 dereserving 14 items from the list of items reserved for exclusive manufacture in the small scale sector, the details of which are given in the Statement (*See* below).

(c) to (e) The issue of reservation/de-reservation of items for exclusive manufacture in the small scale industrial sector is examined on continual basis by the Government and decisions in this respect are taken after considering all relevant aspects. Over the last three years, the estimated growth rate of the Small Scale Sector has gone up from 7.7% in 1998-99 to 8.16% in 1999-2000 and 8.09% in 2000-2001. To strengthen the small-scale sector and enhance its competitiveness both domestically and globally, Government have announced a comprehensive policy package on 30.8.2000. The policy package provides for easier access to credit, availability of collateral free composite loan upto Rs. 25.00 lakhs, capital subsidy for technological upgradation and improved infrastructure.

Statement

List of the 14 items excluded from the list of items reserved for exclusive manufacture in the Small Scale Sector

Sl. No. (As per Gazette Notification)	Product Code	Name of the product
1	2	3
"85	290303	Leather pickers and other leather accessories for textile industry
86	290401	Vegetable tanned hides and skins-semi finished
87	290501	Chrome tanned hides and skins-semi finished
90	290905	Harness leather
91	291101	Leather shoes
101	299005	Leather washers and laces
107A	301102009	Moulded rubber soles and heals for footwear (except for captive consumption)
140T	303842009	Toys excluding electronic toys
141	30390101	Flexible Polyurethane foam
142	30390201	Polyurethane shoe soles
145(4)	303904047	Plastic toys excluding electronic toys
384	340902	Shoe tacks
385	340903	Shoe eyelets
802	389301	Mechanical toys